

F-8-76

Ca. 1900

Saltbox House

Woodsboro, Maryland

Private

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery  
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:  
Domestic/single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/outhouse  
Agricultural/Subsistence/agricultural outbuilding/barns,  
sheds

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Saltbox House

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number w/s Pine Tree Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town Woodsboro ☐ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Betty M. Rippeon et al

street &amp; number c/o Harold Reiley, Rt. 1, Box 171 telephone no.:

city, town Woodsboro state and zip code Md. 21798

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 991

street &amp; number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 508

city, town Frederick state Md.

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. F-8-76

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved      date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Saltbox House is a one and one-half story dwelling sheathed in asphalt shingling with a saltbox roofline of standing seam metal located approximately one-quarter of a mile from Pine Tree Road. The principal elevation faces south and consists of two assymetrical bays. The building is possibly of log construction underneath the asphalt shingling. Eight outbuildings serving a variety of domestic and agricultural functions surround the main house.

The principal facade reveals the gable end of the saltbox configuration (the ridgeline runs north to south). An exterior brick chimney stands at the south-west corner; an off-center interior chimney (stucco over brick) lies along the ridgeline. Openings in the south facade include 6/3 light windows in the upper half story and a 3/1 light window and an off-center door on the first floor. The east elevation contains assymetrical placement of 6/3 light windows. An open shed roofed porch covers the entry bay. The west elevation reveals a stone foundation. It consists of a side door opening and a paired window of 3/1 lights.

Outbuildings on the property include a corral, an outhouse, three small sheds and a barn with an attached shed. The barn has vertical siding and a gable roof (oriented east to west) and rests on a concrete foundation. A metal conveyor connects it to a storage shed. The property also contains a pond.

## 8. Significance

Survey No. F-8-76

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This simple vernacular dwelling was constructed after 1873. (It does not appear on either the 1858 Bond Map or the 1873 Titus Map). The building is representative of domestic, vernacular architecture in the region. The probable log construction was prevalently used in the region into the twentieth century. The saltbox roofline is not widely seen in the region; however, it served a functional purpose of enclosing a exterior porch space. There are other examples of late nineteenth to early twentieth century, one-story log dwellings in the Woodsboro vicinity that, with this house, comprise a typical form of housing.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-8-76

Atlas of Frederick County, Maryland, C.O. Titus & Co. Philadelphia, 1873  
Map of Frederick County, Maryland, Isaac Bond, Baltimore 1858

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 20.07 acresQuadrangle name Woodsboro, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone	Easting	Northing							

B 

Zone	Easting	Northing							

C 

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax Map 50, Parcel 160, Lot 4 in Reily Farm Subdivision

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mary Kendall Shipe, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date April 1991street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958city or town Frederick state Md.

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Saltbox House  
Woodsboro vicinity  
Frederick County  
Woodsboro, Md. Quadrangle







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Saltbox House

w/s Pine Tree Rd.

Woodsboro Vicinity

Frederick CO.

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West Elev.

1/3



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East Elev.

2/3



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Salt-box House → Outbuilding

w/s Pine Tree Rd

Woodsboro Vicinity

Frederick CO.

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Outbuildings / East Elev.

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